

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Application No

PCT/IL2005/000304

**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**

IPC 7 A61F2/00

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

**B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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### Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1.  Claims Nos.: 24-27 because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  
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The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.  
 No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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1. claims: 1-23

An apparatus for treating urinary incontinence

2. claims: 28-30

An apparatus for inserting a vaginal device

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